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C.	2,335,085	11/23/1943	Roberts	251	197	03/18/1947
D.	2,450,223	09/28/1948	Barbour	255	76	11/25/1944
E.	2,490,350	12/06/1949	Grable	166	4	12/15/1943
F.	2,679,903	06/01/1954	McGowen, Jr. et al.	166	1	11/23/1949
G.	2,726,063	12/06/1955	Ragland et al.	255	1.8	05/10/1952
H.	2,726,847	03/31/1952	McCune et al.	255	1.6	03/31/1952
I.	2,783,018	02/26/1957	Lytle	251	25	02/11/1955
J.	2,847,189	08/12/1958	Shook	255	76	01/08/1953
K.	2,911,008	11/03/1959	Du Bois	137	625.31	04/09/1956
L.	2,980,142	04/18/1961	Turak	137	637.3	09/08/1958
M.	3,347,595	10/17/1967	Dahms et al.	299	4	05/03/1965
N.	3,443,648	05/13/1969	Howard	175	103	09/13/1967
O.	3,473,571	10/21/1969	Dugay	137	625.4	12/27/1967
P.	3,503,377	03/31/1970	Beatenbough et al.	123	117	07/30/1968
Q.	3,528,516	09/15/1970	Brown	175	267	08/21/1968
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C.	3,757,876	09/11/1973	Pereau	175	267	09/01/1971
D.	3,757,877	09/11/1973	Leathers	175	269	12/30/1971
E.	3,800,830	04/02/1974	Etter	137	625.41	01/11/1973
F.	3,825,081	07/23/1974	McMahon	175	73	03/08/1973
G.	3,809,519	05/07/1974	Garner	425	245	10/19/1972
H.	3,828,867	08/13/1974	Elwood	175	45	05/15/1972
I.	3,874,413	04/01/1975	Valdez	137	625.47	04/01/1975
J.	3,902,322	09/02/1975	Watanabe	61	35	08/27/1973
K.	3,934,649	01/27/1976	Pasini, III et al.	166	254	07/25/1974
L.	3,957,082	05/18/1976	Fuson et al.	137	625.41	09/26/1974
M.	3,961,824	06/08/1976	Van Eek et al.	299	17	10/21/1974
N.	4,037,658	07/26/1977	Anderson	166	272	10/30/1975
O.	4,037,351	02/14/1978	Baum	175	14	06/10/1976
P.	4,089,374	05/16/1978	Terry	166	259	12/16/1976
Q.	4,116,012	09/26/1978	Abe et al.	405	238	07/14/1977
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C.	4,220,203	09/02/1980	Steeman	166	271	12/06/1978
D.	4,221,433	09/09/1980	Jacoby	299	4	07/20/1978
E.	4,257,650	03/24/1981	Allen	299	2	09/07/1978
F.	4,278,137	07/14/1981	Van Eek, deceased	175	267	06/18/1979
G.	4,296,785	10/27/1981	Vitello et al.	141	105	07/09/1979
H.	4,299,295	11/10/1981	Gossard	175	45	02/08/1980
I.	4,312,377	01/26/1982	Knecht	137	625.19	08/29/1979
J.	4,317,492	03/02/1982	Summers et al.	175	79	02/26/1980
K.	4,328,577	05/04/1982	Abbott et al.	370	84	06/03/1980
L.	4,366,988	01/04/1983	Bodine	299	14	04/07/1980
M.	4,372,398	02/08/1983	Kuckes	175	45	11/04/1980
N.	4,386,665	06/07/1983	Dellinger	175	61	10/27/1981
O.	4,390,067	06/28/1983	Willman	166	245	04/06/1981
P.	4,396,076	08/02/1983	Inoue	175	265	04/27/1981
Q.	4,397,360	08/09/1983	Schmidt	175	61	07/06/1981
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D.	4,512,422	04/23/1985	Knisley	175	99	06/28/1983
E.	4,519,463	05/28/1985	Schuh	175	61	03/19/1984
F.	4,527,639	07/09/1985	Dickinson, III et al.	175	61	03/02/1983
G.	4,532,986	08/06/1985	Mims et al.	166	50	05/05/1983
H.	4,544,037	10/01/1985	Terry	166	369	02/21/1984
I.	4,558,744	12/17/1985	Gibb	166	335	09/13/1983
J.	4,565,252	01/21/1986	Campbell et al.	175	269	03/08/1984
K.	4,573,541	03/04/1986	Josse et al.	175	78	08/09/1984
L.	4,599,172	07/08/1986	Gardes	210	314	12/24/1984
M.	4,600,061	07/15/1986	Richards	175	62	06/08/1984
N.	4,605,076	08/12/1986	Goodhart	175	61	08/03/1984
O.	4,611,855	09/16/1986	Richards	299	2	05/11/1984
P.	4,618,009	10/21/1986	Carter et al.	175	267	08/08/1984
Q.	4,638,949	01/27/1987	Mancel	239	307	04/26/1984
R.	4,646,836	03/03/1987	Goodhart	166	303	12/20/1984
S.	4,674,579	06/23/1987	Geller et al.	175	45	03/07/1985
T.	4,702,314	10/27/1987	Huang et al.	166	245	03/03/1986
U.	4,715,440	12/29/1987	Boxell et al.	166	100	07/14/1986
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	C.	4,842,081	06/27/1989	Parant	175	23	05/18/1988
	D.	4,844,182	07/04/1989	Tolle	175	215	06/07/1988
	E.	4,852,666	08/01/1989	Brunet et al.	175	61	04/07/1988
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	M.	5,111,893	05/12/1992	Kvello-Aune	175	258	12/24/1990
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	O.	5,135,058	08/04/1992	Millgard et al.	175	71	04/26/1990
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	Q.	5,165,491	11/24/1992	Wilson	175	62	04/29/1991
	R.	5,168,942	12/08/1992	Wydrinski	175	50	10/21/1991
	S.	5,174,374	12/29/1992	Hailey	166	55.8	10/17/1991
	T.	5,193,620	03/16/1993	Braddick	166	382	08/05/1991
	U.	5,194,859	03/16/1993	Warren	340	853.4	02/08/1991
	V.	5,194,977	03/16/1993	Nishio	359	128	11/20/1990
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	J. 5,301,760	04/12/1994	Graham	175	61	09/10/1992
	K. 5,363,927	11/15/1994	Frank	175	67	09/27/1993
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	P. 5,411,085	05/02/1995	Moore et al.	166	242	11/01/1993
	Q. 5,411,104	05/02/1995	Stanley	175	65	02/16/1994
	R. 5,431,220	07/11/1995	Lennon et al.	166	55.7	03/24/1994
	S. 5,435,400	07/25/1995	Smith	175	61	05/25/1994
	T. 5,450,902	09/19/1995	Matthews	166	268	05/14/1993
	U. 5,454,419	10/03/1995	Vloedman	166	277	09/19/1994
	V. 5,462,116	10/31/1995	Carroll	166	249	10/26/1994
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	C. 5,494,121	02/27/1996	Nackerud	175	263	11/29/1994
	D. 5,501,273	03/26/1996	Puri	166	252.5	10/04/1994
	E. 5,501,279	03/26/1996	Garg et al.	166	372	01/12/1995
	F. 5,584,605	12/17/1996	Beard et al.	405	128	06/29/1995
	G. 5,615,739	04/01/1997	Dallas	166	306	04/30/1996
	H. 5,659,347	08/19/1997	Taylor	347	85	11/14/1994
	I. 5,669,444	09/23/1997	Riese et al.	166	263	01/31/1996
	J. 5,680,901	10/28/1997	Gardes	166	313	12/14/1995
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	L. 5,706,871	01/13/1998	Anderson et al.	141	59	08/15/1995
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	O. 5,735,350	04/07/1998	Longbottom et al.	166	313	10/15/1996
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	T. 5,853,056	12/29/1998	Landers	175	424	04/01/1996
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	V. 5,867,289	02/02/1999	Gerstel et al.	359	110	12/24/1996
W.	W. 5,868,202	02/09/1999	Hsu	166	256	09/22/1997

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